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TAGS: CPRS, BBAK, BR, US BEGIN SUMMARY

SUBJ: OCEANIC BUTLER, INC

1) POTENTIAL BANKRUPTCY OF BRAZILIAN SUBSIDIARY OF US COMPANY IS BECOMING MATTER OF CONCERN TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES, WHO FEAR ANGRY REACTION BY SOME 140 WORKERS AT FIVE SITES WHOSE WAGES ARE IN DEFAULT. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO CONTACT PARENT COMPANY OFFICIALS IN U.S. AND ASCERTAIN THEIR INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO SUBSIDIARY'S LOCAL OBLIGATIONS. END SUMMARY

2) CONSULATES ATTENTION HAS BEEN DRAWN BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO POTENTIAL DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY APPARENT FINANCIAL COLLAPSE OF STATTON AND STATTON, LOCAL SUBSIDIARY OF OCEANIC BUTLER INC., P.O. DRAWER B., MORGAN CITY, LA (PRESIDENT( MR. BUDDY BOURGEOIS, TEL AC 504-395-6801). STATTON EMPLOYED SOME 140 WORKERS (MOSTLY COOKS AND ASSISTANTS) AND WAS ENGAGED IN PROVIDING FOOD SERVICES TO WORKERS ON 5 OFFSHORE DRILLING RIGS LOCATED IN VITORIA, BELEM, ARACAJU AND FORTALEZA. THESE WORKERS HAVE NOT RECEIVED WAGES DUE THEM, AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES FEAR ANGRY REACTION. STATTONS LOCAL MANAGER, ARMANDO RODRIGUEZ, HAS LEFT SALVADOR, POSSIBLY FOR THE U.S., AND OFFICE HERE MANNED ONLY BY SECRETARIES. FRANCISCO CORDERO, STATTONS HONDURAN BORN U.S. UNCLASSIFIED

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CITIZEN SUPERVISOR IN VITORIA SAYS HE HAS HEARD STATTON IS

BANKRUPT, BUT THIS IS UNCONFIRMED. CORDERO HAS NOT RECEIVED HIS MONTHLY EXPENSE MONEY IN SOME TIME, AND IS RUNNING LOW ON FUNDS. HE IS CALLING RELATIVES IN U.S. TONIGHT IN ATTEMPT TO SECURE FUNDS TO RETURN HOME.

3) DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT OCEANIC BUTLER INC. AND ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN PARENT COMPANY'S INTENTIONS WITH RESPECT TO PAYMENT OF ITS LOCAL DEBTS.  
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